WHAT IS CLAIMED

1.   A method of playing a poker-type card game comprising at least one player

5   making at least one ante wager in the poker-type game:

at least one player receiving a first number of cards and a dealer receiving a

second number of cards that is at least one card more then the number of cards received

by the player;

providing a set of community cards that can be used by the dealer and the player;

10   exposing one of the dealer's cards to provide an exposed dealer card;

compelling the dealer to discard the exposed dealer's card if the rank of the

exposed dealer's card is within a first range of values and compelling the dealer to

discard an unexposed dealer's card if the exposed dealer's card is within a second range

of values to determine the dealer's hand;

15   resolving the at least one ante wager according to rules of the poker type game,

with the dealer and the at least one player forming multiple-card poker hands from a) the

community cards and dealer's cards and b) the community cards and the at least one

player's cards.

20   2.   The method of claim 1 wherein the dealer must discard the exposed dealer's card

when the exposed dealer's card is at or below a predetermined rank, and the dealer must

retain the exposed dealer's card when the exposed dealer's card is at or above a

predetermined rank.

25   3.   The method of claim 2 wherein the dealer must discard the exposed dealer's card

when the exposed dealer's card is at or below a rank of 9 or 10.

4.   The method of claim 2 wherein the player must make a play wager of at least 1X

the ante wager after determining the dealer's hand to remain in the game.

5.   The method of claim 4 wherein the player has an option of a range of play wagers that may be placed in proportion to the ante that must be placed on the at least one ante to remain in the game.

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6.   A method of playing a poker-type card game comprising at least one player making at least two independent ante wagers in the poker-type game:

at least one player receiving a first number of cards and a dealer receiving a second number of cards that is at least one card more then the number of cards received

10   by the player;

providing a set of community cards that can be used by the dealer and the player;

exposing one of the dealer's cards to provide an exposed dealer card;

compelling the dealer to discard at least one card from the dealer's cards;

after the dealer has been compelled to discard the at least one card, allowing the

15   player to withdraw at least one of the at least two ante wagers;

resolving the at least one ante wager according to rules of the poker type game, with the dealer and the at least one player forming multiple-card poker hands from a) the community cards and dealer's cards and b) the community cards and the at least one player's cards.

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7.   The method of claim 6 wherein the dealer must discard the exposed dealer's card when the exposed dealer's card is at or below a predetermined rank, and the dealer must retain the exposed dealer's card when the exposed dealer's card is at or above a predetermined rank.

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8.   The method of claim 7 wherein the dealer must discard the exposed dealer's card when the exposed dealer's card is at or below a rank of 9 or 10.

9.   The method of claim 7 wherein the player must make a play wager of at least 1X the ante wager after determining the dealer's hand to remain in the game.

10.   The method of claim 9 wherein the player has an option of a range of play wagers that may be placed in proportion to the ante that must be placed on the at least one ante to remain in the game.

11.   A method of playing a poker-type card game comprising at least one player making at least two independent Ante wagers in the poker-type game:

at least one player receiving cards and a dealer receiving cards;

providing a set of community cards that can be used by the dealer and the player;

allowing the player to withdraw at least one of the at least two Ante wagers;

resolving the at least one wager according to rules of the poker type game, with the dealer and the at least one player forming multiple-card poker hands from a) the community cards and dealer's cards and b) the community cards and the at least one player's cards.

12.   The method of claim 11 wherein a number of cards provided to the dealer and plays is three and a first one of the dealer's cards is exposed, wherein the dealer must discard the exposed dealer's card when the exposed dealer's card is at or below a predetermined rank, and the dealer must retain the exposed dealer's card when the exposed dealer's card is at or above a predetermined rank and discard one of the unexposed cards.

13.   The method of claim 12 wherein the dealer must discard the exposed dealer's card when the exposed dealer's card is at or below a rank of 9 or 10.

14.   The method of claim 12 wherein the player must make a play wager of at least 1X the ante wager after determining the dealer's hand to remain in the game.

15.   The method of claim 14 wherein the player has an option of a range of play wagers that may be placed in proportion to the ante that must be placed on the at least one ante to remain in the game.

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16.   The method of claim 14, wherein the two Ante bets are equal.

17.   The method of claim 14, wherein a second Ante bet is limited to 3X a first Ante bet.

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18.   The method of claim 14, wherein when the dealer's revealed card is an Ace, the player must play both Antes and the dealer retains all dealer cards to play a best five out of six cards.

15   19.   The method of claim 14, wherein when the player's hand is a pair or better, the player is permitted to play both Antes.

20.   The method of claim 14, wherein when the dealer's revealed card is a King, the player must play both Antes, and the dealer must discard a down card.

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